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γ radiation-induced damage of nucleic acid bases, calf thymus DNA and DNA

within MCF-7 breast cancer cells by [Cu₂(OAc)₄(tnz)₂]: A potential

radiosensitizer

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Fig. 1S. HPLC chromatogram of thymine at 254 nm following irradiation at different dose. 1×10^{-3} mol dm⁻³ thymine solution was irradiated in the presence of 1×10^{-4} mol dm⁻³ [Cu₂(OAc)₄(tnz)₂] in N₂O saturated medium at different doses.

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Fig. 2S. Decomposition of thymine in the absence (\blacktriangle) and presence of additives: tnz (•) and $[Cu_2(OAc)_4(tnz)_2]$ (•) due to γ -irradiation in argon saturated medium.



Fig. 3S. HPLC chromatogram of irradiated uracil solution (initially 1×10^{-3} mol dm⁻³), irradiated in the presence of 1×10^{-4} mol dm⁻³ [Cu₂(OAc)₄(tnz)₂] in an Argon saturated medium.



Fig. 4S. Decomposition of uracil in the absence (\blacktriangle) and presence of additives: tnz (\bullet) and $[Cu_2(OAc)_4(tnz)_2]$ (\blacksquare) due to γ -irradiation in argon saturated medium.



Fig.5S Fluorescence spectra of irradiated calf thymus DNA treated with EtBr. Irradiation was done at different dose in the presence of (A) $[Cu_2(OAc)_4(tnz)_2]$ and (B) tnz. [calf thymus DNA] = 100 μ M, $[Cu_2(OAc)_4(tnz)_2] = [tnz] = 20 \,\mu$ M, EtBr = 1000 μ M.